## **HOUSE BILL No. 4234**

February 5, 1997, Introduced by Reps. LaForge, Profit, Gire, Schauer, Kelly, Baird, Schroer, Thomas, Hanley, Prusi, Agee, Scott and Perricone and referred to the Committee on Education.

A bill to amend 1976 PA 451, entitled "The revised school code,"

by amending section 1351a (MCL 380.1351a), as amended by 1994 PA 278.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1351a. (1) Beginning with bonds issued after May 1,
- 2 1994, a school district may not borrow money and issue bonds of
- 3 the district under section 1351(1). However, a school district
- 4 may borrow money and issue bonds of the district to defray all or
- 5 a part of the cost of purchasing, erecting, completing, remodel-
- 6 ing, or equipping or reequipping, except for equipping or ree-
- 7 quipping for technology, school buildings, including library
- 8 buildings, structures, athletic fields, playgrounds, or other
- 9 facilities, or parts of or additions to those facilities;
- 10 furnishing or refurnishing new or remodeled school buildings;

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- 1 acquiring, preparing, developing, or improving sites, or parts of
- 2 or additions to sites, for school buildings, including library
- 3 buildings, structures, athletic fields, playgrounds, or other
- 4 facilities; purchasing school buses; acquiring, installing, or
- 5 equipping or reequipping school buildings for technology; refund-
- 6 ing all or part of existing bonded indebtedness if the net
- 7 present value of the principal and interest to be paid on the
- 8 refunding bonds, excluding the cost of issuance, will be less
- 9 than the net present value of the principal and interest to be
- 10 paid on the bonds being refunded, as calculated using a method
- 11 approved by the department of treasury; or accomplishing a combi-
- 12 nation of the purposes set forth in this subsection.
- 13 Section 1351(2) to (4) applies to bonds issued under this
- 14 section.
- 15 (2) The proceeds of bonds issued under this section shall be
- 16 used for capital expenditures and to pay costs of bond issuance,
- 17 and shall not be used for maintenance costs. A school district
- 18 that issues bonds under this section shall have an independent
- 19 audit, using generally accepted accounting principles, of its
- 20 bonding activities conducted within 120 days after completion of
- 21 all projects financed by the proceeds of the bonds and shall
- 22 submit the audit report to the department of treasury.
- 23 (3) Bonds issued under this section for an asset with a
- 24 useful life of less than 30 years shall not be issued for a term
- 25 that is longer than the useful life of the asset.

- 1 (4) A school district shall not borrow money and issue
- 2 notes or bonds under this section to defray all or part of the
- 3 costs of any of the following:
- 4 (a) Upgrades to operating system or application software.
- 5 (b) Media, including diskettes, compact discs, video tapes,
- 6 and disks, unless used for the storage of initial operating
- 7 system software or customized application software included in
- 8 the definition of technology under this section.
- 9 (c) Training, consulting, maintenance, service contracts,
- 10 software upgrades, troubleshooting, or software support.
- 11 (4)  $\overline{(5)}$  A resident of a school district has standing to
- 12 bring suit against the school district to enforce the provisions
- 13 of this section in a court having jurisdiction.
- 14 (5)  $\overline{(6)}$  As used in this section, "technology" means any of
- 15 the following:
- 16 (a) Hardware and communication devices that transmit,
- 17 receive, or compute information for pupil instructional
- 18 purposes.
- 19 (b) The initial purchase of operating OPERATING system
- 20 software or customized application software, or both. -, accompa-
- 21 nying the purchase of hardware and communication devices under
- 22 subdivision (a).
- (c) The costs of design and installation of the hardware,
- 24 communication devices, and initial operating system software or

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- 25 customized application software authorized under this
- 26 subsection.

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